

EASTOVER

Dear Grandparents, Relatives and Friends of Eastover students:

This year, Eastover Elementary School is celebrating its 80th anniversary! In honor of this important milestone in our school's history, we are reaching out to grandparents, relatives and friends of our Eastover students asking for financial support to continue Eastover's history of academic excellence and implement innovative educational experiences.

Our goal is to raise \$100,000 through donations to our school's *Invest in Your Child* campaign by November 4. While we have made good progress thanks to support from our Eastover families, we are approximately \$30,000 short of our goal. By giving to *Invest*, you will be part of our *Grand Giving Circle* and funds raised will be spent this year to enhance your student's academic experience.

Eastover is a wonderful place to go to school with Smartboards in every classroom, iPad carts and Chromebooks and even a program for visually impaired students – the largest of its kind in public elementary schools across the state of North Carolina. The school also offers high quality academics for a diverse group of students from varied socio-economic backgrounds. It provides a warm, neighborhood-school feel where teachers and students know each other well and students grow into dynamic community leaders who graduate with the skills they need for middle school and beyond.

We are working hard to continue these positive experiences for our students and, with your help we can do just that! Funds raised will be used to support Exploratory Spanish, chess for our first and second graders, cultural arts experiences, technology maintenance, classroom resources, teacher trainings and our community garden – just to name a few!

Public schools throughout our community face budget cuts, limited staff and fewer resources. In fact, Eastover only receives \$60 per student per year from the Charlotte Mecklenburg School System to cover student resources – including everything from copy paper and art supplies, to books and curriculum materials.

That's about 30 cents per day, falling drastically short of what it takes to not only provide basic supplies for our children, but to also offer the enriching academic experiences that make Eastover an outstanding place to go to school.

We realize that many of you have your own children and grandchildren at different schools in Charlotte – and across the country – and we thank you for your consideration. Visit our website listed in the footer below to make your donation online and learn more about the *Invest In Your Child* campaign. You may also send your contribution via mail directly to the school or drop it off in the main office.

We sincerely appreciate your support and please contact us with any questions.

Thank you,

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